

Bush Sees Historic Shift Possible in Bloc Ties

'Radical Change' in Soviet Union Cited

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LONDON, June 2—Stating that the Soviet Union may be in a "state of radical change," President Bush said today that a historic shift may be under way from East-West military confrontation to a global emphasis on economic relationships.

In an interview at the American ambassador's residence here on the final day of his first trip to Europe as president, Bush said that as Moscow changes, "Our doctrine need no longer be containing a militarily aggressive Soviet Union. It means a united Europe. It means a Europe without as many artificial boundaries."

As this occurs on a timetable he would not predict, Bush said, U.S. policy "will be substantially different because we won't be dealing with as much emphasis on military deterrence. We will be dealing much more with openness and reformed economies."

Fresh from a NATO summit meeting in which he assumed the mantle of Western leadership with the aid of surprise initiatives, Bush seemed completely at ease but not euphoric, almost serene in his new role.

Asked how he has adjusted to near-universal applause instead of criticism of his slow, cautious approach, Bush said with a grin, "I'm the same guy I was four days ago."

A reflective Bush discussed changes occurring in the communist world and offered his view of how the United States can respond, including extensive reference to "the vision thing," as he light-heartedly called it.

Bush also said:

■ The Soviet Union should continue to "lighten up" its dominance of Eastern Europe, which the president termed "the most exciting area for change in the world" right now. But he does not believe the time is right for U.S. discussions with the

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